

County Court Judges.

Since the publication of Governor Mungrave's dispatch to Lord Lisgar public opinion has been more pronounced upon the subject of the County Courts being administered by gentlemen devoid of legal training; and we are bound to say that the verdict of public opinion is decidedly against the continuance of such a system. Referring to the Stipendiary Magistrates, His Excellency says: "These Magistrates are not only Justices of the Peace, but County Court Judges, Indian Agents, Assistant Commissioners of Lands and Works, Collectors of Revenue in the different departments of the public service at the several stations hundreds of miles apart and in very extensive districts," and His Excellency adds, "I think that these appointments are singularly well filled." A twelve years' residence in the colony and a close scrutiny of the administration of its affairs, both civil and judicial, enables the present writer to concur in an opinion formed by His Excellency respecting this class of officers in less than eighteen months after his arrival in the country, with this reservation or qualification, however, that in so far as their exercise of the functions of County Court Judges is concerned they have done singularly well for men without the advantage of legal training. A sense of what is due to the public interest and to the cause of truth compels us to make this reservation; and in doing so we mean no disrespect to a set of officers for whom we entertain the greatest regard, many of whom we venture to count amongst our personal friends. Indeed, to say that gentlemen without legal training were well fitted to administer a Court of Law having a very wide jurisdiction would be to knock over the theories and ignore the experience of the most powerful and enlightened countries in the world. If we look at our own mother country, or if we refer to Canada, we will find that not only is a legal training held to be an essential qualification for administering Courts having much more limited jurisdiction than our County Courts, but legal practitioners of the greatest experience are, as a rule, selected to fill these positions. If it really be so that the positions of County Court Judges in British Columbia "are singularly well filled" by gentlemen wholly innocent of the law, it occurs to one to ask why, in other lands, the sole road, and the long and tedious road, to the Bench should be through a thorough course of legal study and a lengthened practice at the Bar? Nay, it may justly be asked if gentlemen of ordinary education and destitute of legal lore may take but one step from the guard-room or the counting-house to the Bench, why is it that we are called upon to pay one thousand pounds sterling a year for a Puisne Judge, or twelve hundred pounds sterling a year for a Chief Justice? There is no short cut, no Royal road to the Bench in England. There is none in Canada. There none but a thoroughly trained and experienced professional man can administer even in the Division Courts, with jurisdiction restricted to matters involving eighty dollars. The Stipendiary Magistrates of British Columbia will not take it unkindly when we assert that they are not possessed of an essential pre-requisite for the position of County Court Judges; that it is not in the true interests of the country that they should be continued in that position, and that matured and thoughtful public opinion is decidedly adverse to a perpetuation of the present system. Indeed, we have reason to know that the best qualified amongst them are conscious of the false position into which they have been reluctantly pressed by the exigencies of the public service; and now that a great constitutional political change is about to sweep away the conditions which created this judicial anomaly, liberation from that position would be no less grateful to their own feelings than it would undoubtedly be acceptable to the country. It is not impossible that the Governor has been surrounded by those who have led him to believe that these officers have been enabled to discharge the functions of County Court Judges with satisfaction to themselves and general acceptance to the country; and it is presumable that, in a very natural anxiety to seek refuge in the County Court from the possible pecuniary consequences of impending political changes these estimable officers may have been tempted to smother their own convictions; but we beg to assure both the Governor and the Stipendiary Magistrates—and we do so respectfully and in a friendly spirit—that no greater kindness could be done to these gentlemen which every thinking person must know it is impossible for them to continue to occupy under a representative form of administration. If the matter is to be regarded in the light of a mere diplomatic transaction, having no object beyond placing these gentlemen in Federal keeping, it is a different affair. But if these officers are to be transferred to the Federal list with the distinct understanding that the positions of County Court Judges "are singularly well filled" by them, and that the colony will complementarily acquiesce in their permanent occupation of these positions the Governor is committing a grave mistake, respecting which both His Excellency and the Canadian Government will ere long be undeceived.

New Advertisements.

B. C. PIONEER SOCIETY.
A MEETING OF THE B. C. PIONEER SOCIETY will be held at the Victoria Hotel, on Tuesday Evening, April 18th. All who came to the Colony prior to Dec. 31st, 1860, are invited to attend.
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
L. & J. BOSCHOWITZ.
HAVE REMOVED to the Stone Warehouse ad. joining Greilly's Wine and Liquor store, Wharf street.
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J. WIGGLESWORTH.
HAS RE-OPENED the Saloon on Government street, two doors from the Post Office, formerly occupied by the late Mr. McKay. On hand, only the best brands of
WINES AND LIQUORS.
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Dalby, Wilson & Co.
ST. NICHOLAS BUILDINGS GOVERNMENT ST.
HAY ON HAND THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF
SADDLERY, HARNESS, TRUNKS, & VALISES
In the Colony, and are
SELLING AT COST TO MAKE ROOM FOR GOODS
Now on the way from England and Canada.
They also have on hand a large stock of
Sole Leather, Harness, Saddles, Saddle Pads, Saddle Girths, Saddle Bags, Saddle Trunks, and a general Assortment of
SHOEMAKER'S FINDINGS
The Highest Cash Price paid for Hides and Sheep Skins.
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LAST STEAMER

A MAGNIFICENT STOCK OF

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Comprising all the

LATEST NOVELTIES

—OF THE—

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DIRECTOR, - - - - - M. L. F. BEATTY
MUSICAL CONDUCTOR - - - - - M. E. HAYNES

SPRING SEASON!

THE PROPRIETOR respectfully informs the public of Victoria that the Theatre will be opened on the 24th inst. with the following Companies

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Mrs LAVINIA H. BEATTY
MRS E. C. MELVILLE
MR TONY WARD
MR W. H. EARLE

MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 17
Will be performed
LE FAUVRE JACQUES
After which
AN OBJECT OF INTEREST
To conclude with the operetta Ballet of
OUR GERTRUDE

Cards of Admission - Dress Circle and Parquet, \$1; Pit 50 cents; Lower Boxes, \$4; Upper Boxes, \$6.
The box office will be open on each day of performance when seats may be secured.
Doors open at 7 1/2 o'clock, performance to commence at 8 o'clock.
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MORSEMER, BAY, CHIEFMANUS,
Is prepared to furnish
Spars & Piles
AT LOW RATES!
For particulars apply to
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COMMISSION BUYERS AND SHIPPING AGENTS.
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Donohoe, Kelly & Co, W. H. Tillingsworth, Esq., Redington, Hostetter & Co, Levi Stranahan & Co, R. L. Jones & Co, Volz, Riles & Co, Forbes Brothers & Co.
ATTEND DAILY ALL AUCTION SALES.
Assist Buyers in making their purchases, correspond frequently with our constituents, receive and disburse Remittances free of charge.
AGENTS FOR
Dispatch Line Packets for Victoria.
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New Advertisements.

Marine Insurance
THE PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY
Transacts a general Marine Insurance business.
CASH ASSETS, \$1,777,000
A. ation of Premium and other information will be sent on application to
J. ROBERTSON STEWART, General Agent,
Who is authorized to adjust and pay Losses

Fire Insurance
IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
CAPITAL, \$5,000,000
Claims for loss or damage by Fire promptly and equitably settled by
J. ROBERTSON STEWART, Agent for British Columbia and Washington Territory.

Life Insurance
CITY OF GLASGOW LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY
PAID UP CAPITAL, \$3,000,000
Incorporated 1858 by Special Act of Parliament
For rates of Premium and other information apply to
J. ROBERTSON STEWART, Agent.

Accident Insurance
TRAVELER'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF Hartford.
CASH ASSETS OVER, \$1,950,000
Insures against Accidents causing bodily injury or loss of life.
For information apply to
J. ROBERTSON STEWART, Agent.

GARDENER AND FLORIST
FREDERICK PRITCHARD
Offers his services to those having gardens to lay out, planting and pruning and flower gardens and borders arranged with taste and dispatch, by the day or week. Orders left at the store of Messrs MITCHELL & JOHNSON, Fort street, or JAY & BALES', Yates street, will receive prompt attention.
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St Andrew's & Caledonian Society.
THE ANNUAL MEETING TO THE
Members of this Society will be preached by the Chaplain, Rev S. McGregor, in St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, on Sunday morning the 16th inst, at 11 o'clock.
J. H. LAWSON, Sec'y.
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Municipal Court of Revision.
ADJOURNED SITTING.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
The Court of Revision will hold its next sitting on Wednesday the 19th inst, at 11 o'clock a.m. Appellants must appear in person.
WM T. LEIGH, Jr., Clerk of the Court
Victoria, B.C., April 4th, 1871
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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY RACES!

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF
His Excellency the Governor, CAPT. HERBERT, R. N.
And the Officers of H. M. Fleet.

THE ANNUAL RACES WILL TAKE
place on Beacon Hill, on
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24th, 1871,
Commencing at 1 o'clock, Sharp.

COMMITTEE.
Capt. Mait, R. N.
Lieut. Tuckey, R. N.
Lieut. Woods, R. N.
Lieut. Diggle, R. N.
Capt. Delacombe, R. M. L. I.
Hon. P. J. Hankin
Hon. W. Pearce, Esq.
C. F. Cornwall, Esq.
J. P. Tunstall, Esq.
H. Nathan, Jr., Esq.
J. H. Brodie, Esq.
J. R. Stewart, Esq.
D. W. Higgins, Esq.
J. H. Turner, Esq.
J. D. Pemberton, Esq.
T. H. Long, Esq.
Hon. Treasurer, M. W. T. Drake, Esq.

STEWARDS.
Capt. Mait, R. N.
Capt. Delacombe, R. M. L. I.
J. P. Tunstall, Esq.
Thos. Harris, Esq.
Stewards - Green, Esq.
1. Trial Races \$5 each with \$50 added, for horses that have been used as hacks in the races. Winners since 1869 of \$50 once 7lb, twice or 10lb 12lb extra. 11 stones, 1 mile.
Queen's Plate, a free handicap of \$200 added to a two-pole race of \$50 each. 2 miles. Greyhound 11st 7lb. Lucy 11st. Voltaire 10st 7lb. Royal Colt 10st. Royal Charlie 10st. Butcher Boy 10st. Admiral 9st 7lb. Royal Bill 9st 7lb. Champagne 9st 7lb. Deerfoot 9st 7lb. Kitty Clyde 9st 7lb. White stockings 9st. Dutchman 9st. Governor 9st. H. M. Long 9st 7lb. Cafe au lait 9st 7lb. G. M. Lacey 9st. G. G. Jim 9st 7lb.
3. Hurdle Race of \$10 each with \$75 added. Winners of any hurdle race since 1869 to carry 12lb extra. 11st. Mile heats, 2 in 3, over 4 flights of hurdles each heat.
4. Navy Plate of \$50 added to a sweepstakes of \$5 each. 12st. 1 mile. To be ridden by officers in H. M. Navy.
5. Blue Jacket Plate for \$25, with \$1 entrance to go to the second horse. To be ridden by seamen or marines of the Royal Navy. Catch weights. 1 mile. Entrance to be made on the course.
6. Scoury Stakes of \$1 each with \$25 added. Weight 9st. One mile. Entrance to be made on the course. Winners of the day excluded.
Three horses belonging to different owners to start for each race or the public money will not be added.
Owners of horses intended to run for the Queen's Plate, not named, can have them handicapped by application in writing to the Hon Sec any time before May the 10th, upon which day "Stewards' Names to the Queen's Plate" will be taken at 4 o'clock in the afternoon by the Secretary.
All disputes to be settled by the Stewards or whom they may appoint.
Days for entries, letting booths, etc, will appear in a future advertisement.
No horse will be entitled to the stakes, although a winner, unless he has been on the island previous to the 21st day of April, 1871.
Mr George Richardson is authorized by the Committee to collect subscriptions for the Race Fund.
By order, R. S. BYRN, Hon. Sec.
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MONEY TO LOAN
AT LOW RATES ON FIRST CLASS
A security, repayable by instalments
Houses and Farms to be let
Towns and Country Property for Sale on easy Terms of Purchase
THOS. ALISON, Land Agent,
Government street near Fort
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EX G S WRIGHT.
FINE SPRING SEED WHEAT.
For sale by
F. PROMIS & SAUNDERS,
Johnson street
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JUST RECEIVED
RAILWAY MACKEREL, Nos 1 and 2
Raisins - In full, half and quarter boxes
Baker's Bitters,
Clear Lake Cheese,
Scotch Oatmeal in 25, 20, 14 and 7 lb tins,
For sale by
C. STROUSS,
ap16 1m No 3 Commercial Row, Wharf st

Sandwich Islands
PRODUCE
Ex Robert Cowan, from Honolulu
SUGAR - No 1 and No 2
MOLASSES of best quality
BEAN - Prime mess in barrels
PULU - in bales
SALT - Dairy, in 50lb cks, and coarse
For sale by
J. ROBERTSON STEWART,
Wharf street
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J. Robertson Stewart
COMMISSION MERCHANT
AND
INSURANCE AGENT.
VICTORIA, B. C.
LIBERAL CASH ADVANCES MADE
on Produce and other Merchandise Shipped to his Agents in the Sandwich Islands, Chile, Peru, New York, China, Australia, Calcutta or Europe.
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New Advertisements.

BARNARD'S
BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPRESS,
(In connection with Wells, Fargo & Co.)
Forwards—
FREIGHT, PACKAGES, PARCELS, LETTERS, TREASURE, COLLECTIONS, COMMISSIONS
And transacts General Express Business with Punctuality and Dispatch.
F. J. BARNARD.
OFFICE, YATES St, next door to Wells, Fargo & Co's mh31

BARNARD'S
Express Line of Stages,
YALE TO CARIBOO!

The COACHES of this Line are now making Regular Weekly Trips, carrying Barnard's Express, Passengers & Freight, making close connections with Steamers at each end.
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Schedule B.

GENERAL ABSTRACT Showing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets within the Colony of British Columbia, of the Bank of British North America, taken from the usual Weekly Statements during the Quarter from 31st Dec'r to 31st March, 1871

LIABILITIES.	AM'T.	TOTALS.	ASSETS.	AM'T.	TOTALS.
Notes in circulation, not bearing interest.....	\$101,473 00		Legal Tender Coin, in Gold and Silver.....	\$165,842 73	
Notes in circulation, bearing interest.....	11,903 87		Gold and Silver, in Bullion.....	27,000 00	
Bills in circulation, not bearing interest.....	22,005 65		Landed and other Property.....	1,929 74	
Bills in circulation, bearing interest.....	\$270,474 40		Notes and Bills of other Banks.....	268,763 98	
Deposits, not bearing interest.....	180,728 49	\$51,169 98	Amount of all debts due to the Bank, including Notes, Bills of Exchange and all Stock and Funded Debts of every description, excepting Notes, Bills and Balances due from other Banks and Branches.....	\$135,823 28	
Deposits, bearing interest.....					
Total amount of liabilities.....	\$574,638 61		Total amount of assets.....	\$601,333 40	
Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the quarter ending 31st March, 1871.....	\$5,000,000 00				
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders.....	7 1/2 cts per cent				
Amount of the last Dividend declared.....	\$166,000 00				
Amount of the Reserved Profit at the time of declaring such dividend.....	743,898 08				

Signed
HENRY A. TUZO, Manager.
ROBERT BURLICK, Accountant.

Victoria, B. C., 31st March, 1871.

I, Henry Atkinson TUZO, do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing abstract is a true and faithful account of the average amount of Assets and Liabilities within this Colony of the above Bank, during the period specified, and that the same was made up from the Weekly Statements thereof, kept in pursuance of the provisions of the "Banking Act, 1864."

(Signed)
HENRY A. TUZO, Manager.
(Signed)
A. F. PEMBERTON, S. M.

BOSSI
COR. STORE & JOHNSON STREETS,
And BRICK STORE,
GOVERNMENT ST. COR. JOHNSON,
IS NOW PREPARED TO SUPPLY
MINERS FOR CARIBOO & Omineca
And the Public Generally with the
Best & Cheapest Assortment of Groceries, Provisions,
—AND—
LIQUORS of all kinds.
TO BE FOUND IN VICTORIA!
NO MUMBUG! BOSSI MEANS THE CORRECT THING!!
As all whom he has supplied for 12 years can testify.
Farmers
Who wish to **SELL THEIR PRODUCE** for **CASH** the BEST MARKET RATES always come to
BOSSI
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R. F. Pickett & Co.
AUCTION & COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND DEALERS IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.
HAVING TAKEN THE FIRE-PROOF Warehouse, No 102 Yates street, adjoining the Bank of British North America, would respectfully solicit consignments of Merchandise, Stock, Furniture and Real Estate
Cash Advances made on Consignments, 75 Front Street.
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NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT ALL
Overdue Accounts
MUST BE SETTLED ON OR BEFORE THE
15th APRIL NEXT
The Remaining Stock
IS OFFERED
AT REDUCED RATES.
HENRY NATHAN JR & Co
No. 2, Commercial Row, Wharf St.
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VICTORIA
Steam Saw Mills,
LANGLEY ST, VICTORIA, V.I.
Hayward & Jenkinson,
Contractors & Builders,
HAVING FITTED UP THEIR NEW Establishment with powerful and extensive Machinery are prepared to promptly execute all orders entrusted to their care.
A LARGE SUPPLY OF
WELL SEASONED DOORS,
All sizes from 7x8 to 12x15.
Venetian Shutters and Mouldings
Of every description on hand at
Low Free Port Prices!
THE TRADE LIBERALLY SUPPLIED
Agent for the Mainland
JAMES CUNNINGHAM
New Westminster
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C. OPPENHEIMER,
YALE & BARKERVILLE,
BRITISH COLUMBIA.
HAS JUST RECEIVED LARGE ADDITIONS to his
Extensive Stock of Dry Goods,
Groceries & Provisions,
MINING TOOLS
WINES & LIQUORS,
Etc., Etc., Etc.
Goods Packed in Convenient Sized Packages for the
OMINECA AND CARIBOO MINES!
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A. Casamayou & Co.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS & WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
Groceries, Provisions, Havana Cigar
AND FRENCH PRESERVES:
Yates Street, Victoria, Vancouver Island mh
L. STEINLER,
PRACTICAL UPHOLSTERER AND PAPERHANGER.
BEGS TO ANNOUNCE THAT HE HAS OPENED at the CORNER OF YATES & BROAD STS., And hopes by strict attention to business, MODERATE CHARGES and the BEST of WORKMANSHIP to secure a share of public patronage.
L. STEINLER.
A good assortment of WALL PAPER constantly on hand.
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PASSAGE BY
BARNARD'S STAGES
YALE TO VAN WINKLE.....\$40.
YALE TO QUEENSLAND.....\$40.
YALE TO SODA CREEK.....25.
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New Advertisements.

Amateur Athletic Sports
TO BE HELD AT THE CRICKET Ground, on the Esquimalt Road, on
MONDAY, 1st of MAY.
The following is the programme of events:—
1. 100 yards flat.
2. 200 yards flat.
3. Putting the Shot, (24 lbs)
4. Quarter mile flat
5. High Jump
6. Boys, under 16, 300 yards
7. 200 yards, flat
8. Long Jump
9. Mile flat race
10. Tossing the hammer
11. Five Jacks and Marbles—1/2 mile hurdle race.
12. 230 yards hurdle race, 10 flights
13. 3 legged race
14. 1/4 mile hurdle race
ENTRIES to be made to MR. ROMP, Store St., or on board H. M. S. SYLLA on or before Monday 24th inst.
No money prizes will be given.
Entrance for each race, 50 cts
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FELL & FINLAYSON,
FIRST CLASS
Family Grocers
Tea, Coffee, & Wine
Merchants,
Fort St. Victoria,
BRITISH COLUMBIA.
Our large and varied Stock of Choice Family Groceries, Ship and Passenger Stores, Housekeeping Goods, &c., &c., Cannot be excelled by any other Establishment.
Our Terms are CASH or Approved Credit.
AND OUR FACILITIES FOR SUPPLYING Families, Hotels, Contractors, Farmers and others with
GOOD ARTICLES AT LOW PRICES
Cannot be excelled. All those who complain of paying High Prices for Poor Articles are invited to examine our Goods and Prices
MINER'S SUPPLIES
Carefully packed to order. Particular attention paid to
SHIP AND NAVY STORES
Our Foreign
WINES AND BRANDIES
Are pure and selected expressly for Family and Medical purposes.
FINE TEAS
Are among our Specialities.
Large Sales and Small Profits FOR CASH and we will not be undersold by any other establishment
Fell's Coffee
Has stood the test of eight years' trial, and is acknowledged to have no equal on this Coast.
FORT STREET, March 24 1871.
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Shipping.
FOR MOUTH OF Skeena River
THE STEAMER
GRAPPLER!
DEVEREAUX.....Master.
WILL TAKE PASSENGERS AND Freight Next Week for the
New Gold Mines!
For passage and further particulars apply to
LOWE, STAHLSCHMIDT & CO.,
ap15 Wharf street.

Merchant's Line.
FIRST VESSEL
FOR VICTORIA DIRECT
TEAR AI CLIPPER SCHOONER
OCEAN PEARL,
KENNEDY.....Master.
Will be ready to receive Freight on the arrival of the Pacific at San Francisco, and will have
IMMEDIATE DISPATCH!
INSURANCE GUARANTEED.
Freight Sabor - the LOWEST RATES.
WM PICKETT & CO, Agents,
218 Front street, San Francisco.
R. F. PICKETT & CO, Agents,
Yates street, Victoria.
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DISPATCH LINE!
For Victoria, B. C.
THE NEW CLIPPER SCHOONER
WM MEYER,
Will sail for the above port on the 20th inst, full or not full.
For freight or passage apply to
COGHILL & HARRISON
318 Front street, San Francisco
Or to
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Wharf street, Victoria.
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MERCHANT'S LINE.
Wm. Pickett & Co.
COMMISSION BUYERS & SHIPPING AGENTS.
318 Front Street, San Francisco.
Agents Merchant's Line Sailing Vessels.
Freight taken at as Low Rates as any other Line and every facility afforded shippers.
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FOR YALE AND INTERMEDIATE LANDINGS ON FRASER RIVER.
STEAMER
HOPE.
Capt O Parsons, and Saturdays, until further notice.
N.B.—The above steamer will not be responsible for loss of goods shipped in this or glass.
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For Puget Sound.
THE U. S. MAIL STEAMER
ISABEL,
CAPT. E. A. STARR,
Will leave Victoria for Olympia and Way Ports every Tuesday and Friday morning at 12 o'clock until further notice.
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FARE TO OLYMPIA
For Skeena.
THE SCHOONER
Black Diamond,
CAPT. HUDLIN
Will leave for Skeena River on the 1st of APRIL, next, taking Freight and Passengers at reduced Rates.
R. BRODRICK & CO
Victoria, 17th March, 1871.
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BRITISH SHIP CLARENDON.
NATHAN CAPT. NATHAN
The undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel.
Victoria, March 7, 1871
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MOODY, DIEZ & NELSON.
FOR PUGET SOUND.
THE SPLENDID NEW STEAMER
Olympia.
CAPTAIN.....D. BEINCH
Will leave Victoria for Olympia and Way Ports every Tuesday Morning at 10.40 o'clock a.m.
FARE.....TWO DOLLARS.
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Sunday Morning, April 16, 1871.

Auction Sales to-morrow.

LUMLEY FRANKLIN, Auctioneer, will sell at 12 o'clock to-morrow, at Colquitz Farm, Agricultural Implements, Farming Stock, Grain, Furniture, &c.

NEWS! NEWS!

The "British Colonist" is the only Newspaper published at Victoria that receives the Latest Telegraphic Dispatches. Having, consequently, the largest circulation, its value as an Advertising Medium is apparent.

Official Announcements.

The following announcements appeared in the Government Gazette of yesterday:

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Anthony Masgrave, Esq., Governor of the colony of British Columbia, to be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Holders of Debentures under the 'Exchange Debenture Ordinance, 1867,' or the 'Vancouver Temporary Loan Act, 1866,' or the 'Cook's Ferry and Clinton Road Bond Act, 1863,' are notified that the Government will discharge their liabilities on application at three months from date, after which interest will cease. Parties desiring earlier liquidation are requested to communicate with the Colonial Secretary without delay.

A Court of General Assizes and Gaol Delivery will be held at the Court House, James Bay, on Tuesday, the 16th day of May prox.

The Medical Practitioners who have registered under the 'Medical Ordinance, 1867,' are as follows:

John Sebastian Holmeken—A Diploma from the Royal College of Surgeons, England, dated 17th March, 1848. A Diploma from the Court of Examiners, Apothecaries Hall, London, dated 29th April, 1847.

John C. Davis—A Diploma from the College of Medicine, San Francisco, California, dated 7th March, 1865.

The Governor of British Columbia has given notice that a Fog Bell has been established at Race Island Lighthouse, Juan de Fuca Strait, which will be used as occasion may require.

MR. PUNSHON'S MOVEMENTS.—Yesterday the Rev Dr Punshon and party, together with the Mayor and Mrs Robertson and others, lunched at Mr Jessop's. After lunch Mr Punshon and party drove out with His Worship Mayor Robertson to see some of those beautiful localities with which the environs of Victoria abound. On Tuesday this distinguished gentleman will go to New Westminster and proceed thence to Yale, probably taking a run up as far as Boston Bar. On his return he will probably visit the Sumas and Chilliwack settlements, preach at New Westminster and lecture at Burrard Inlet, getting back to Victoria on Saturday. Beyond this the present programme does not extend, but we believe it is understood that the party will leave for Portland on Tuesday week. It is greatly to be regretted that Mr Punshon's engagements are such as to prevent an extension of his trip as far as Cariboo; for, in the larger and more important sense, no man can truly be said to have seen British Columbia who has not passed through the magnificent country east of the Cascade Range. To stop short at Yale or Boston Bar is to turn back at the threshold of this great Province of the Pacific. It may be mentioned in this connection that Mr Barnard, with his usual liberality, tendered Mr Punshon a free passage to Cariboo and back.

NEW WESTMINSTER ITEMS.—The Rifle Volunteers have commenced practice at the butts. The prize medal given by the late Dr Black was shot for yesterday. The Hyacks held a meeting on Monday evening for the purpose of completing their arrangements for May Day celebration. Miss Lizzie Irving was elected May Queen. A committee was appointed to draft resolutions of condolence to the widow of the late Dr Black. The members of the Cemetery Board held a meeting on Friday. A reply from the Governor was read stating that certain financial aid applied for could not be granted, whereupon the members of the Board at once resigned. Power to a movement is on foot to erect by popular subscription a fitting monument at the grave of the late Dr Black. Owing to some temporary delay in the steamer Hope the onward would take her place for a couple of days or so. The early run of salmon in the Fraser River has commenced.

GREAT ATTRACTIONS FOR THE LADIES.—The enterprise displayed by Messrs J H Turner & Co of the London House in supplying the ladies of this remote region with the latest European fashions is deserving of all praise. The siege of Paris only slightly interrupted their regular importations; but scarcely had the gates of that emporium of fashion been thrown open to the German army than a shipment of goods issued off for the London House. These goods arrived by the last direct steamer and are now in stock. They combine the very latest styles and the most exquisite fabrics with the best material. Amongst the goods just opened are the choicest productions of England, France and Germany.

ODD FELLOWS HALL will be thrown open to the public to-day from 10 a m to 4 p m. The Hall has been repainted, repapered and refurnished, and now presents an elegant appearance. The upholstery was done by Weiler, the painting by Eli Harrison and John Crowther, and the carpenter-work by Thomas Story. The reconstruction committee of the Order are Messrs Drummond, Huxtable and Gowen, and the excellence of the work performed is evidence sufficient (if any were wanted) that they have ably discharged their duty. The hall is now the handsomest in the Colony.

ECCLIASTICAL.—This morning at 11 o'clock the Rev Dr Punshon will preach at the Methodist Church, Pandora street. The doors will be open at 10:30 o'clock. At the close of the service the Rev Thomas Crosby will be ordained. At 6:30 in the evening the Rev Mr Johnson of Toronto will preach in the same place. At the close of the evening service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed.

PIONEER SOCIETY.—The next meeting of the Pioneer Society will be held at New Dominion Hall on Tuesday evening. All who came to the colony before December 31st, 1860, are invited to attend.

The Meeting at Yale—A Great Fizzle.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.]

Messrs Humphreys and Kay arrived in town on Friday, and immediately after notices appeared outside the public houses calling on the people to meet at Duha's Saloon, at 8 o'clock on Monday evening.

At 8:14 o'clock twenty-nine persons assembled in the bar to hear the distinguished orators. Mr Dr McQuarrie was voted to the Chair in a very short and appropriate speech he informed the persons present that the Permanent Civil List Bill was the subject for consideration. He then introduced Mr Kay and resumed his seat.

Kay delighted with the opportunity of exhibiting the knowledge that he has not, rose and proceeded to denounce the Bill. He read a quotation from Hallam, and said there was danger in giving to the Lieutenant Governor the power of drawing \$78,900 a year from the public purse for official salaries without consulting the people's representatives. He adopted a very long resolution and proposed its adoption. Mr McCulley seconded and it was passed unanimously. The chairman asked if there was any other gentleman who wished to address the meeting. Humphreys sat in silent expectation of a call—but it did not come. After a pause of five minutes he rose and tried to look like a martyr; one who had suffered for his country. He denounced the Bill, praised himself and resumed his seat. The third orator, Dr McGennis, equal to the other two as a public speaker, addressed the meeting. He approved of the resolutions.

A vote of thanks to the chairman, and the meeting adjourned to the bar upon the invitation of Humphreys, who stood treat for all hands. This last part of the performance surprised me, and it did not pay. The drinking terminated with the one round. The want of cash may bring us all to reason wisely with ourselves.

BIG BEND.—From Mr J A Mata, who left that district on the 30th March, we learn that there are four companies working on French Creek, viz: Jim co, Brail co, Walsh co and Comox co—all making about \$5 per day to the hand. On Camp Creek a company was also making good wages. The weather had been very mild, but on Saturday the snow is 20 feet deep. The farmers along the Thompson are doing well and are all sowing their grain. The cattle are in fine condition and every intricate looks thriving and prosperous.

THEATRE ROYAL.—A Touch of Nature and Salanella were produced at the theatre last night to—were sorry to have to write it—a very poor house. Better acting we have never seen on a stage in this colony and it speaks badly for the taste of our city that it should be worse than wasted. To-morrow evening three fine pieces will be produced and as it is no more than right that an effort should be made to give the company at least one good house during the season, suppose that effort be put forth to-morrow.

DAVID GREEN, clothier, Government street, near the St Nicholas building, finding his former premises too contracted to accommodate his increasing customers, has doubled the capacity of his store and enlarged his stock of goods.

ANNUAL SERMON.—The annual sermon before the St Andrew's and Caledonian Society will be delivered by Rev Mr McGregor at St Andrew's Church. This morning.

BURNEIDE ROAD.—Some parts of this road are still impassable by empty wagons. A short distance beyond Rowland's farm there is a slough that might well be taken for Bunyan's Slough of Despond. A few men a few days' work and a few loads of gravel would render the road passable.

ROM NAIMIMO.—The steamer Isabel, Capt Morrison, arrived from Naimimo yesterday at 12 o'clock. She brought six passengers and a cargo of coal for her own use. She will sail for Port Townsend on Monday at 10 a m, returning the same day with the mail, etc, from the Sound.

THE steamer Enterprise arrived from New Westminster at 4 o'clock last evening, bringing the following passengers and a Cariboo Mail: Mrs Pope, Miss M Loumeier, Miss Amy Helms and Messrs Buie, Mara, Leggett, D McKelvey, E Coleman, Garlley, Bouchier, E He.

TIGERS IN LOCK.—There were 19 lengths of hose to be divided between the Tiger and Dingo Fire Companies. The odd length was thrown for and won by the Tigers, who now have the longest hose.

INCENDIARISM.—Arthur William Smith was brought before the Police Court yesterday on a charge of suspicion of having set the fire which destroyed the cottage on Gordon street on Friday night. The prisoner was briefly examined and remanded until Tuesday next.

COLQUITZ FARM.—At this farm to-morrow a large quantity of live stock, farming implements, produce and furniture, seized under distraint for rent, will be sold by Mr Lumley Franklin.

DALRY WILSON & Co.—This enterprising firm received large additions to their already extensive stock by the last steamer, and are selling hardware, trunks and valises at cost to clear the store for other goods now on the way from England and Canada.

TAR WHELEMAN DISTRICT MEETING concluded its business yesterday. The report of the general work in this colony is satisfactory, showing an encouraging increase both in membership, extension of the work and financial results.

CHINA.—Government is engaged in taking a census of the city and district and has detailed officer McCarthy for the duty. It is presumed that other towns and districts will be similarly favored.

NOW IS THE TIME.—The great rise in the value of greenback currency which is sure to follow the new Funding Act must make a present investment in North Pacific Railroad Bonds most profitable, even as a mere temporary employment of capital.

ADMIRAL HORNBY who commanded the Flying Squadron, has been made a Lord of the Admiralty, in place of Admiral Lord Arthur Hay, who returns to active service.

MILLINERY.—By last steamer a first-class milliner arrived from Europe for the London House.

THE NEW SAVINGS BANK OFFICE, next door to Mr Macdonnell's, Government street, was completed yesterday and will be opened to-morrow. It is a neat little office, with the Royal arms beautifully executed over the door.

TWO NEW STEAMERS.—Captain Starr's new steamer is expected to be placed on the route between this city and ports on Puget Sound on or about the 15th proximo.

FROM AN OLD FRIEND.—A letter from Rev A Browning, in to-day's issue, will be read with interest by his many pioneer friends in this colony.

Flour is going up! up! up! at San Francisco.

By Electric Telegraph,
Exclusive to the 'Colonist.'

LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

Canada.
OTTAWA, April 14.—The Governor General to-day proposed the fourth session of the first Parliament of the Dominion of Canada with the usual formalities. In relation to the completion of the Union of the provinces, the extension of the criminal, militia and other statutes thereto. The Acts for the surveying and granting of lands, which were modelled on a system of the Dominion, and a free loan to all without distinction who desire to settle in the country. During the recess the Governor General says he will take steps to negotiate with the Indian tribes of Manitoba and the Northwest Territory in order to arrange their title to the lands. He concludes by thanking the Commons for the readiness with which supplies have been voted and congratulating the members on the favorable state of the revenue, the union with British Columbia and the thriving condition of the different branches of national industry.

Europe.
PARIS, April 13.—The Delegates of the party of conciliation have returned from Versailles. They are silent as to the details of their negotiations with the Government. Nothing will be made public until a full report of their mission is completed.

The plate seized in the bureau of Foreign Affairs is being converted into specie.

The Commons consider the column in the Place Vendôme a barbarous monument and a symbol of brute force and false glory, and the fraternity have decreed its destruction.

A dispatch from Paris yesterday says shells continue to fall, it is reckoned that houses property to the value of 2 millions francs have been destroyed.

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There is every prospect of a successful sugar year in Ontario, and the Fall wheat looks well.

Mr Punshon will be with you soon. He is head and shoulders above every other orator in Canada; but more powerful than his splendid ability is the force of his high moral and religious character. The Minister of Militia for the Dominion (himself a Catholic) in the House and by letter has spoken and written of Mr Punshon as of no other man. This is the more remarkable as Mr Punshon is famed for his love of the old Protestant faith. When you have heard his lecture on Macaulay (for that lecture of his will fall very thrillingly on the ears of a Victoria audience) you will indorse all that has been said of him, and like one of old will say the half was not told you. I count it one of the proudest boasts of my life to be called his friend, for no one can have the friendship of such a man and not feel himself honored by its existence. The Rev Mr Benson, who will accompany Mr Punshon, is one of our rising men, and the Rev Hugh Johnston, who also goes with him, is a friend of my own—a genial, generous soul as well as a scholar and a gentleman.

I am getting to love Canada, but my heart clings to British Columbia.

If you think it worth while to publish and if my old friends in the colony to read my letters, I will write you occasionally on matters passing around me in Canada.

I am, yours truly,

A. BROWNING.

Letter from Paris.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE OF THE 'COLONIST.'

PARIS, March 4th, 1871.

Wednesday last will ever form one of the saddest and most remarkable days in French history. It was a day of mourning and of bitter humiliation for Paris—for the nation—full of the most terrific apprehension, and when each moment might have ushered in 'Scyllian Vespers,' and German retribution found its zenith in streets of blood. The most patriotic appeals had been addressed to the citizens by the government, and by the press of every shade, to abstain from all attempts at reprisals, and to submit to the last—the most unchivalrous exaction of the Victor, with that calm and abstinence suited to the occasion. The day was gloomier than a London Sunday, and more desolate than an Edinburgh Sabbath, in all external—but the sun shone brilliantly on friend and foe, and seemed to mock alike the Gauls and Teutons. The sensible civilians recognized the intuity—the madness of resisting the Germans, but the capital—there were spirits who would sacrifice everything, even themselves, and France itself to glut the prospect of revenge. Not only had Belleville and its adjoining districts to be feared, but the immense floating population of the provinces, and from the suburbs, who had sought refuge in the city and had suffered in ruined homes and whose tears fell hot and fast for relatives and friends killed in the struggle since last July. The exasperated classes had seized 30 pieces of artillery, several mitrailleurs, and had an inexhaustible supply of all kinds of Orsini bombs, and, as a matter of course, rifles without number. The cannon were placed in position on the slopes of Montmartre and barricades were run up to defend their approach, and some hundreds of maids of Saragosa kept watch and ward with knives in belt, and hatchets, &c, in hand. It was intended to commence firing on the enemy the moment the enemy presented himself at the barrier gates, and to sweep the Prussian quarter, should he succeed in taking up his position in the city.

The aspect of the city was unparalleled. The spectacle was never witnessed before, nor likely to be again. Nearly every shop was closed—even tobacconists, cafes and restaurants, which generally remain open under all circumstances. Some windows hung out black flags. The male sex appeared in decent mourning and not a few ladies the same. Statues were draped in black, and that of Strasbourg, in the Place de la Concorde, almost covered with flowers since August, had a bandage of crape over its eyes. The small flags carried by the battalions of the National Guards were surmounted by mourning wreaths, and a few of the bus horses displayed black favours. The whole the National Guards—250,000—were under arms, recalling revolutionary epochs—one party desiring to attack the Germans and the other to prevent them. Beyond the boundaries fixed for the occupation the troops of the Line would allow nobody in uniform to pass, and as the few abuses which continued to ply for a few hours approached their military occupants had to leave. The command was stern, for Paris was truly in danger. Bodies of Mobiles, National, Cavalry and regular Infantry marched along from time to time to prevent all gathering of crowds. The mouths of the streets which ran from the Champs Elysee up to the Faubourg St Honoré were guarded by a cordon of soldiers, and behind them was the passionate and excited crowd, willing to wound but afraid to strike. Before were the Prussian sentries almost cheek by jaw with the French ones. Now and again a great shouting was heard and a mob came plunging along—one imagined it to be the advanced guard from Belleville. It was only 'one more unfortunate' that had had her life of shame with the besiegers, and who was discovered by her expressing sympathy for the enemy. Her dress was torn to pieces and divided among the rabble as she was pushed along to prison.

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indifferent to everything French. Bivouac fires blaze away, some of the charming kiosks having been knocked down and chopped up for firewood. The last piece of Vandamme of the war.

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